THE DAY OF CROQUET FASHIONABLES PAYING CLOSE AT-

TEXTION TO THIS AMUSEMENT.

SKILL AND KNOWLEDGE REQUIRED.

The Player Is Also in Urgent Need of an Abundant Good Temper-The Game Has Surprising Popularity-

The Principal Requisite Brains.

(Correspondence of the Dispatch.) NEW YORK, July 17 .- The game of proquet has again achieved prominence. many a year it has been looked upon as one of the amusements of long ago. Now, however, it has, for some unknown reason, risen high in popular favor, and, in fact, promises to gain a position which it never before achieved. More than in saying that tennis and golf must look to their laurels. In both of these games muscular energy is in greater evidence than in croquet. Therefore, with fash-

simple reason that in the long run it is the better able to hold the interest-be-cause it really requires infinitely more skill and school and

cause it really requires infinitely more skill and scleake.

No one can say at what time this year croquet forced itself upon the thoughts of people. Perhaps the first intimation of this was the formation of croquet clubs. The first amused, the second caused inquiry, the third resulted in investigation. Now it happens that croquet clubs are being formed right and left, and Dame Fashion herself has set the seal of approval upon the revival of the old-time society amusement. It is a fact that if society often wanders after strange gods, it invariably returns, sooner or later, to the best that is offered to it. No one familiar with the two sames can deny that croquet is as scientific as billiards. Billiards have, and presumably always will be, a favorite pastime. The revival of croquet indicates that hereafter it will be considered in the same category.

Very many persons have, in some way, gained the impression that since croquet has comparatively ceased to be a national croquet Association, which meets in Norwich, Conn., this year on the Monday preceding the third Tuesday in August.

There are no better grounds in the watchman in the building, but he was a watchman in the building, but he was

FIRE IN PETERSBURG.

S. Chandler, and W. S. McCance vs. David Balley. Robert Yates (colored), who has been wanted here to answer the charge of unlawfully cutting Thomas Thurett, on the 3d of April, to-day surrendered himself, waived examination in the Mayor's Court, and was sent on for trial in the Hustings Court.

Hustings Court.

William Johnson and Bossy Graves (negroes) were to-day sentenced by the Mayor to four months' imprisonment in jail each for larceny. Graves has only been out of the penitentiary a few months, and there is another and serious Hustings Court.

months, and there is another and serious charge pending against him.

Robert Hines (colored) was given six months in jail to-day for larceny.

Mr. P. S. Seabury, a prominent real estate auctioneer, is critically ill at his residence in this city. His physicians state that he cannot live until morning.

CREWE.

Election of Officers-Coming Corner-

Stone Laying. CREWE, VA., July 17 .- (Special.)-At the annual meeting of the Nottoway lowing officers were rewilson, president; E. F. Lockett, vicepresident; W. H. Mann, attorney; G. W.
Oliver, secretary and treasurer, who,
together with N. W. Norsworthy, Jasper
Wells, T. B. Oliver, Dr. W. H. H. Crittenden, C. H. Kruse, R. S. Berill, and
Sterling Bolsseau, form the Board of
Directors. The president's and secretary and treasurer's reports showed a
dividend of a little over 11 per cent, during the past year.
There was a meeting to-night of the
committee appointed to look after the
laying of the corner-stone of the new
public-school building. The ceremony is
likely to take place in the near future,
the different orders of the town participating. A big dinner will probably be
had followed by some kind of entertainment at night. Wilson, president; E. F. Lockett, vice-

ment at night.
A few additional hands have recently

A few additional hands have recently been put to work in the Norfolk and Western shops at this place.

Moderately good rains have fallen, which improved the crop situation.

Mr. C. A. Hammock continues to hold the postmastership here, as there seems to be some hitch in the appointment of his successor. S. Culverhouse left to-day on a

wisit to his home in Pennsylvania.

Mr. T. L. Dunn is rusticating at various points along the Norfolk and

Mrs. C. S. Smithson has returned from a visit to friends and relatives in Prince Edward and Cumberland counties.

WARM FIGHT IN HALIFAX. The Contest for the Senatorial

Nomination Very Close. SOUTH BOSTON, VA., July 17 .- (Speclal.)-Precinct meetings were held today, and delegates elected to the county convention, which meets on the 19th. Houston instructs half her delegation for Houston instructs half her delegation for Tyler and half for Ellyson. It is impossible to get any information as to the action on Governor of the other precincts, as the very bitter fight between W. P. Barkedale and W. J. Jordan, the incumbent, for the State Senate, occupies the attention of every one. The county probably is about evenly divided between Ellyson and Tyler. Houston instructs for Montague for Attorney-General structs for Montague for Attorney-General. Returns from all but three pre-cincts show that the fight between Barks-dale and Jordan is very close, with the chances in favor of Barksdale.

Beta Theta Pi.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., July 17.Special.)—The fifty-eighth annual conention of the Beta Theta Pi Fraternity is now in session here. It is the largest in the history of the society, delegates being present from all parts of the country. Among them are W. C. Moore and W. C. Cabell, of the University of Virginia, and Ed. A. Barnett, of Hampden-Sydney.

The Fayerweather Bequest. CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., July 17.— (Special)—A check for \$75,000 has been maded to the University of Virginia as an instalment of the Fayerweather be-

RACE MEET NEXT SATURDAY.

Independent 'Cycle Club to Have Speed Trinls at the Exposition.

What is expected to be the most interesting event to the wheeling public of Richmond and vicinity will be the second annual race meet of the Independent 'Cycle Club, which will take place at the Exposition-Grounds on Saturday, July 24th, at 4 P. M.

As has been said heretofore, the Independent 'Cycle Club has always been the leader in everything pertaining to bicy-cling, and be it said to the credit of the cling, and be it said to the credit of the young men who organized the Independent Club, that nowhere in the State of Virginia has a bicycle club ever met with such success starting under the same conditions. With no capital, and with only the push and energy which characterizes the young business-man of Richmond, they have overcome all ob-stacles, and have made for themselves a record of which they may well be proud. The following gentlemen compose the Race Committee; E. H. Mayfield (chair-Race Committee; E. H. Mayfield (chairman), L. W. Ryland (secretary), J. H. B. Peny (treasurer), F. E. Conrad, Dr. Frank R. Steel, and C. E. Loehr. All the events except the novice and the three-mile handicap will be held open until Monday evening at 6:30. Entries for the novice and handicap are now closed.

Appended is the programme of events, together with the prizes:

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First race—one mile, novice—First prize,
Morgan & Wright tires, from Morgan &
Wright, value \$10; second, one P. F. saddle, J. E. Stonebraker & Brother, value
the prize of the prize of the prize of the prize
together with the prizes. \$4; third, one cyclometer, Ingersel & Bro-

ther, value \$2.

Second race—one quarter mile, open—
First prize, silver water set, D. Buchanan, \$25. second prize, Dresden china
tobacco-box, \$15, T. W. Tignor & Sons;
third, tubular lamp, Smith-Courtney Company, \$5.

Third race-one half mile, open-First prize, one diamond ring, \$25, Independent 'Cycle Club; second prize, Morgan & Wright tires, \$10; third prize, one sweater

Wright tires, \$10; third prize, one search \$15. Independent 'Cycle Club.

Fourth race—one mile—Championship of Richmond—First prize, one medal. Independent 'Cycle Club, and rocking-chair, prize 50. Jurgen's Son, \$25; second prize, pipe, \$5, B. R. Allen; third prize, hat, M. Green-Fifth race-two-nile lap race-First

Fifth race-two-file and prize, silver service, S5, Independent 'Cycle Club; second prize, pair Morgan & Wright track tires, \$20. J. E. Quarles; third prize, Hunt saddle, Hunt Manufac-Sixth race-one mile, club race, open to

members of Independent 'Cycle Club-First prize, one medal \$15, Independent 'Cycle Club; second prize, one Taily-ho lamp, T. W. Tignor's Sons; third prize, one box cigars, W. H. Nelson, \$2.50. Seventh race—one mile, tandem—First prize, two diamond watch-charms, Independent 'Cycle Club, \$30; second prize, two Brown saddles, Independent 'Cycle Club, \$10.

Club, \$10.

Eighth race—half a mile, messenger hoys' race—First prize, one pair Kennedy tires, E. H. Clowes & Co., \$10; second prize, 1 pair bleyele shoes, C. F. Cross Shoe Company, \$3; third prize, one Vecder cyclometer. Veeder Manufacturing Company, \$1.50. Company, \$1.50.

Ninth race-three-mile handicap ra First prize, solid gold watch, \$55, Independent 'Cycle Club; second prize, bleycle suit, Harris, Flippen & Co., \$10; third prize, Gilliam saddle, Gilliam Manufacturing Company, \$4; fourth prize, Twentieth Century lamp, \$4, Betts Headlight Company; fifth prize, cane, \$3, W. C.

Among the crack riders who have entered for these races are the following:
Fred. Schade, Herndon, Va.; Marvin Bowman, Washington, D. C.; Harry Greer, Washington, D. C.; H. C. Williams, Danville, Va.; B. J. Campbell, Danville, Va.; Griffin Holstead, Washington, D. C.

NEWS OF THE DAY GLEANED ON THE SOUTH SIDE.

ACCIDENT TO MRS. BLANKENSHIP.

Her Injuries Not So Serious as First Fenred - Negro Arrested With Brasses in His Possession-Per-

Mrs. Susan Blankenship, who resides with her son on Thirteenth street, near the railroad, in Manchester, was the victim a few days ago of a most painful accident, from which she is now slowly recovering. Mrs. Blankenship was standing in a chair to reach some article upon a high shelf, when the chair tilted and Building and Loan Association, the fol- threw her heavily to the floor. It was lowing officers were re-elected: C. E. at first thought that her injuries were of a very serious nature, but when Dr. Thomas P. Mathews made an investigation he found that no bones were broken. She has been improving steadily since and her physician now thinks she will be well in a few days. Mrs. Blankenship is very well known in this city, and her many friends were distressed to know of her accident.

> A negro man burdened with a lot of railroad brasses had an experience early yesterday morning which, it can be said with safety, he has no desire to have repeated. In the wee hours Officer Wright was attracted in patroking his beat, near Hull and Fifth streets, by a noise as if some one were attempting to get into a house from the rear towards Bainbridge street. Going in the direction of the sound, he saw a negro man of large stature making for the opposite direction with a fleetness of foot that would have done credit to a deer.

FIRES ON THE NEGRO.

ficer followed, and when he saw it would be impossible to catch him, resorted to his pistol. He fired on the fleeing man times, and thinks his last shot was tive. He saw the fellow fall, but effective. a search failed to reveal him, and nothing more has been seen of him. Later a bag containing brasses was found, and it is supposed that the man was trying to secrete his stolen property when the of-ficer's attention was attracted.

FIGHT ON THE STREET. Cain Deane and Henry Jones had a fight on Hull street yesterdry morning, and the proceedings were becoming of a more interesting nature, when Special-Officer J. W. Moore appeared upon the

scene and placed the belligerents under

This is the first opportunity Mr. Moore has had to exercise the tutelary power which the city has vested in him to protect her peace and rights.

The case will be called before the Mayor to-morrow morning.

The time and attention of Mayor Mau-

rice was occupied yesterday morning with hearing the continued case of with hearing the continued case of Ransom Smith, charged with beating Jennie Allea, his sweetheart. The negroes were up at the merry-go-round, and while there they had a fight, and in the fracas Jennie was hit on the head with a chain by Smith.

The woman's mother swore out a warrant against Smith, and he was arrested and bailed, and the case has been continued from time to time on account of

tinued from time to time on account of the illness of the girl. Smith was fined \$5 and costs, making the whole amount \$4.75. No money, and

he went behind the bars. SERVICES AT THE JAIL

ormed the jailer that they would be in Charleston, W. Va., by the sunset of

y sterday. SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES. The morning services at Bainbridge-Street Baptist church this morning will be conducted by Rev. Dr. I. M. Mercer, pastor of West-View Baptist church, Richmond, while Dr. Thornhill preaches in the capital city for Dr. Mercer. Dr. Thornhill will conduct the usual service

at night. Methodist church, will conduct the usual ryices from his pulpit to-day. Mr. Lear's evening subject will be "A New Woman in an Old Dress."

Fifth-Street Methodist church has her usual services to-day. Rev. J. O. Bab-cock's morning subject will be "Bowing to the Heroes of the Next Generaand at evening his subject will be the "Engle's Nest. The Rosebud Missionary Society will

have a grand rally at 4.20 P. M. Good music and good speaking and a pleasant time for all. The pastor will, at the same meeting, administer holy baptism to several children. Rev. J. A. Spencer, of Cowardin-Ave-

nue Christian church, will preach at Leader Hall this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Music at these meetings is always a special feature.

Rev. W. E. Hurt, pastor of Stockton-

Street church, will conduct the usua morning and evening services to-day. Mr Hurt is doing a good work among people and they are very devoted to him. Rev. John K. Goode will fill the pulpit at Clopton-Street church. Rev. Benjamin Dennis will fill his pul-pit at Meads-Memorial church at both services to-day-11 A. M. and 6 P. M.

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS. Mrs. J. P. Robinson is visiting in

Petersburg. Dr. Frank Hancock, formerly of Chesterfield, is in the city on a visit.

Mr. C. F. Moore, who has been kept at home on account of sickness, is able

Miss Nettle Blake will leave to-morrow for Dinwiddle county.

Messrs. Mosby and Willis Pulliam disiting their uncle, Mr. Albert T. Pul-

liam, near Newport News.

Mr. L. N. Taylor, of Baltimore, Md.,
is visiting his mother, in Swanaboro'. Mrs. John H. Hatch, who has been vis-ting her sister, Mrs. J. J. Gary, on Hull street, left for her home, at Disputanta, Miss Fitzgerald, formerly of Manchester, but now of Roanoke Rapids, N. C. is in the city visiting.

Mr. Lynn Taylor has returned from

Baitimore, where he has been for the Mr. R. E. Gibbs's horse ran away from in front of his store about noon yes-terday, and had everything his own way intil he got to Ninth and Porter streets.

He did not do any damage.

Mrs. Charles Blankenship, who was
hurt several days ago at the residence of her son, on Thirteenth street, is in-

Mamle Jennings, of Florence, S. C., is visiting the family of Mr. W. F. Misses Maude and Alma Swift are vis

Misses Maude and Alma Swift are visiting in Caroline county.

It was not Mr. John R. Halstead who was injured by falling from his horse Friday, but Mr. Asa Snyder, Mr. Halstead rendered Mr. Snyder much kind assistance, and his name became associated with the unfortunate accident.

Mrs. J. O. Babcock, wife of Rev. J. O. Dabcock, pastor of Fifth-Street Methodist church, will leave Monday by the

dist church, will leave Monday by the way of the Norfolk and Western road for Knoxville, Tenn., to attend the Cen-State.

The following petty jury has been summoned to serve in the Hustings Court, forwarded to the Governor by Major ing a rescue of the others.

CITY OF MANCHESTER Further Reduced Prices

HAVE BEEN MADE IN ORDER TO CLOSE THE

FIRE SALE STOCK

and make the necessary repairs at the store, that are to begin on or about August 10th.

ALL THE GOODS turned over by the underwriters from the fire in the building of 429 EAST BROAD STREET, occu-

A.GREENTREE

AND AMOUNTING AS YET TO NEAR

\$5,000 in Seasonable Merchandise.

Men's, Youths', and Boys' Clothing, Furnishings, Hats, Caps, Etc.

All the damaged goods at AN EIGHTH OF THEIR ORL-GINAL COST; the undamaged for HALF AND LESS, as sample prices below:

Men's Pants, contracted for to have been sold for \$1.50, Men's Pants, were to be sold for \$3, are.....................\$1.00 Men's Pants, contracted to sell for \$4, are...... \$1.25 Men's Suits, were marked to sell for \$8, for \$2.50 Men's All-Wool Cheviot Suits, bought to be sold for Children's Pants, ages 4 to 10, were bought to sell for Boys' Straw Hats, were bought to be sold for 35c., for ... 15c. Men's \$1.50 and \$2 Straw Hats for 50c. 6 Men's Percale Shirts, were to be sold for 75c., for...... 25c.

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Men's Suspenders, bought to be sold for 20c., for......5c

A HARVEST FOR

Men's Crash Hats for

NARROW FEET

AND LOVERS OF POINTED-TOE SHOES.

NOTICE the great reduction offered on strictly high-grade Shoes in this sale:

The regular morning services to their country, which the wearles at the jail have brought, and as an accompaniment, have been forced to perform on the rock pils in the rear yard of the jail, have been discontinued. Not because the tramps have done enough for their country, but because they had served out their time, and the Knight's of the Road were anxious that other of the Road were anxious that other places should get the benefit of their sturdy hands and brawny arms.

38 pairs Children's Strap Slippers, sizes 8 to 104, were \$1.50,

31 pairs Boys' Tan Lace Shoes, sizes 11 to 51, were \$2.50, now.... \$1

A CHANCE FOR THE MEN:

Rev. W. W. Lear, pastor of Central 197 pairs of J. A. Banister's and Stacy, Adams & Co.'s best Vici Kid, Enamel, and Russia Calf Lace Shoes, the regular \$2.50 \$5 and \$6 grades, down to.....

Cash-No Exchange.

C. F. Cross Shoc Co., (Limited) 415 EAST BROAD STREET.

which convenes to-morrow: J. R. Perdue, Jr., John H. Meredith, A. C. Harding, Hugh L. Kidd, L. C. Nunnally, J. W. Weisiger, W. T. Pugh, J. W. Candle, James R. Holliday, W. H. Turner, B. P. Vaden, and C. W. Harris (colored).

Judge B. A. Hancock is attil confided to his bed, and though not dangerously ill, his condition is such that Dr.

ill, his condition is such that Dr. Thomas P. Mathews, his physician, has thought best to keep him as quiet as possible, and no visitors are, for a few

Thomas Hancock were making vigo-both of the county, were making vigo-torus preparations yesterday morning to the proprietor of the Sadler Pap rous preparations yesterday morning to that a fight on Hull street, when Officer have a fight on Hull street, when Officer misunderstanding, and when they have a figure on the state of the Alvis came up, and not only stopped the fun, but summoned them to appear before 'Squire Jones in the morning. NEW UNIFORM A CERTAINTY.

First Regiment Officers Met Last Night-General Military News.

There was an enthusiastic and harmonious meeting of the commandants nature. of companies of the First Regiment held last night at headquarters in the Armory, whereat the action of the regimental officers in selecting a new uniform was unanimously endorsed.

Colonel Jones presided, and all the staff officers and captains were present. The session lasted for three hours, and all the preliminaries were so arranged that bids will be asked for early next week. Thirty-five members of Company B, with ten men from other companies, will leave next Saturday afternoon for Ocean View on the 2.25 train, over the Chesapeake and Ghio railroad, and will go into encampment for a week. Captain colonel Jones presided, and all the staff go into encampment for a week. Captain Frank Cunningham will be in command, and Lieutenants Russell and Miller will also be of the party. The tents will be pitched on the hotel grounds. All the men have had bathing suits made dark-blue material, marked with a large

The following appointments were an nounced last night in Company F: Corporal J. Masurier to be first sergeant, Corporal G. B. Thompson to be fifth sergeant, Private W. W. Hutcheson to corporal, and Private H. C. Mallory

to be corporal.
Captain Nelson, of the Albemarie Light Horse, at Charlottesville, has been placed under arrest for baving failed to send in his reports to his command-

hart and L. A. Sad'er in Zimmeron Hotel, on Broad street, which not resulted in the exchange of se blows, but their arrest as well. The possible, and no valed to see him.

days, allowed to see him.

Thomas Hancock and Charles Clay, gentlemen—the one a well-known entry and the other equally as well-known entry to the control of the cont the hotel their first glance of rethey were pummelling each oth R. D. Austin, of the Second trotted in and took them off station-house, where they be talle their appearance in call to-us morning. It is understood that morning. It is understood that trouble was one purely of a business

> Randolph Literary Society Meetler. The members of the Hamlo'ph Li ctary Society had a hot debalo but night upon the question, "Resolved, That the United States Government should establish and maintain an armor-plate factory," magnates of the Carnegle and Bethle rapacity by the gentlemen of the all tive, whilst the negative inslated that business of manufacturing should not to undertaken by the government, but should be left to individuals. The meetings of the society will not be discontinued during the summer months at the attendance promises to be end larger than it has heretofore been. Vistors are slways welcomed by the sciety, which meets in Leo-Camp Hall every Saturday night at \$30 P. M.

Major Ginter Is Improving.

Mr. Anton H. Theirman returned year terday from Bar Harbor, whither he went says Major Cinter is improving won-fully at Bar Harbor, the climate seems to agree with him, and he is gains with Major Lewis Ginter. Mr. with him, and he is gaining strength dally.

Kimberley Miners Entombed.

CAPETOWN, July 17.—Reports from Kimberley state that several Europeans and fifty natives were eutombed as the The mine last night. Twenty natives were been rescued. There is little hope of effect



but also calm judgment, and, above all things, an imperturbable temper. At any given moment, one player has the most complete command of the balls, and the other has to submit to being deprived of chances of making progress. turn may come if his opponent mal parently hopeless task of hitting a single ball at the other end of the grounds, more than thirty yards away, and even

slender chance may not often be af-Crack players are careful to wire an adversary for whose long shots they entertain any respect, finishing each break by placing the ball liable to be off under the shelter of one o. more hoops. A judicious antagonist, when he has established a lead, will take the utmost care not to lose it by ricking brilliant strokes or by weakly showing mercy to his rival. In making a long break-in other words, making several hoops in the same turn-the skill of the best players is chiefly shown in the ad-mirable tactics employed to keep one ball under due control and another wait-

ing in a central position to be used when In striking this second ball, great precision is exhibited in first getting such a position near it that it can be forced towards the hoop which is next made. Croquet this year is played both upon lawns and upon sanded fields. For some reasons the first is the most pleasant, but when it comes to actual skill in play-ing, the sanded field should have supre-There is greater opportunity clever shots, there are no obstacles in the way of concealed twigs, and it becomes a game where science and brains always overmatch ignorance and lack of skilful-On the lawn accident sometimes favors the poor player. On the sand, pro-vided the field is in good condition, the player must depend altogether upon his

dgment and his cleverness in handling Another fact that is making croquet rather popular this season is that none of the expense which attaches to golf ad also tennis is caused by it. ordinary dress for croquet is that which every one wears. Neither kniekerbockers short skirts are necessary. One does have to wear a cap; neither is he obliged to provide himself with sticks or other equipment. The host or hostess is bound to provide the balls and mallets for the guests, and this relieves them of ite lot of bother. It is not the rule in croquet, as in other games, that one has a favorite mallet or a favorite one has a rayorne manet of a rayorne ball. One may prefer a certain weight mallet, but that can be sejected just as a man who goes into a billiard hall to play a game of billiards selects his cue

of a certain weight. It is the general opinion of persons who are familiar with croquet that there are two reasons for lawn tennis having gained supremacy over it. One is that grounds have been especially prepared for tennis. The second is that prepared for tennis. The second is that tennis was semething new. Now, however, tennis has been played for a sufficient length of time that the supremacy of the two games may be decided upon the merits of each. In the minds of most people, there is small question that croquet has the best claim, for the

croquet would have a stronger hold than either of the others.

Modern croquet is a game requiring not only a deal of skill and knowledge, enjoy themselves. There are croquet lightful grounds where the old salts enjoy themselves. There are croquet grounds at Twenty-second and Brown streets Philadelphia Leominster, Mass. Northampton, Danbury, Conn., New London, and Middletown, in the same

town of Martha's Vineyard, have excellent grounds. Further south are Washington city, Wilmington, Del., and Norfolk, Va. Croquet has become a decided fad in each of these, and goodness knows, how many persons are playing it. Then, out West, Los Angeles and Palo Alto, Cal., have enthusiastic clubs and their memhership is growing in surprising degree. There are no more enthusiastic players than the Trenton (N. J.) Association, and the players of Albion, N. Y., are not a the least inferior. In many of these places the croquet associations have fine club houses, and tournaments are of

Elyria, O. The up-to-date croquet player must remember that the game should played on a ground as nearly level as lightly sprinkled over it, this latter being to hold the balls, and prevent them sillping and sliding, and thus give unintentional advantage to poor shots. The decline of lawns in the favor of perall national or tournament games are played on what is called dirt.ground. If there is one thing more than another which could be called the central principle of the game of croquet, it is accuracy, and this is no much easier on the racy, and this is so much easier on the plain dirt-ground than the lawn, that the

difference. that eight players engage therein. these two requisites, and a player is almost certain of general success. With-

almost certain of general success. Afterout them, he might as well cease attempting to play the game.

Inasmuch as croquet is both economical and fashionable, we may look forward to seeing the popularity of the revival grow steadily. It is all the more likely to gain favor, because it can be

late World's Fair-you can buy it almost anywhere, but look for this trade-mark-cut on every 18600

ton's endorsement, it would seem that [grounds, too, and not a lawn. Oddiy | tory and its contents was rapid and com plete. By hard work the firemen were able to save the lumber in the yard, as well as the large frame structure used by the firm as a storage warehouse, in which was stored a large number trunks and material. In the factory it is estimated there were some 700 or 800 trunks, which were burned. State; Springfield and Shelburne Falls, Mass., as well as Cottage City, the star their loss at between \$16,000 and \$17,000, which will hardly be covered by the in-

> frequent occurrence. The crack players country are said to be at possible, and ordinarily 36 teet by 72 feet in size. In every instance, the ground should be well rolled and sand sons who best understand the game of croquet is fully shown by the fact that

comparison shows the widest possible The most fashionable croquet tourna ment of modern society is known as the eight-mallet game, meaning, of course, that eight players engage therein. As a rule, four are on a side, and this, it is considered, furnishes the best opportunity for skill to be demonstrated of any combination of players. Experts hold that there is more science displayed in an eight-mallet game of croquet than in a dozen lawn tennis or golf games. In no other sport is there greater necessity for what is termed a "good eye." To a person who cannot accurately judge disperson who cannot accurately judge dis-tance, croquet is an impossibility, so far as success is concerned. Another re-quirement is that the player must thoroughly understand the degrees of force necessary in striking a ball. Given these two requisites, and a player

played by persons of all ages. The same quality of cut-glass that you saw manufactured at the Libbey Glass-Works on the Midway Plaisance at the

GENERAL NEWS. In the Hustings Court to-day the civil docket, which is quite a large one, was called over, and times fixed for the trial of several important cases. There are on the docket four damage suits for large sums, embracing two of W. T. Crawferd vs. R. A. Harrison and Meyer | Saal; W. A. Crowder vs. Lleutenant R.

Messrs. Romaine & Barham estimate

surance. The valuable papers and safe

The insurance runs through a number

of companies for small amounts, aggregating probably \$16,000. The Petersburg

Savings is the only local company losing,

and that only to the amount of \$350.

By the destruction of this factory over

100 employees are thrown out of work. It is probable Messrs. Romaine & Bar-ham will rebuild at an early date.

The Old Shop Baptist church, in Prince

George county, will be dedicated next Thursday, and Rev. Dr. H. W. Battle,

of this city, will preach the sermon. This is one of the eldest church organizations

in the State, and this is the third build-

ing erected on the same site. It is con-

siderably over one hundred years since this church was organized, and it ante-

dates all Baptist efforts in Petersburg. Out of it grew the large and influential First Baptist church, in this city, and it is therefore the mother church of the

are gathered many interesting historic

CALLED TO CHAPEL HILL.

Rev. F. C. Cleveland, who recently

raduated with high honors at Newton

Center, Mass., is a member of the First Baptist church, in this city, and was

formerly secretary of our Young Men's

Christian Association. He has received a number of calls since his graduation,

but though a northern man by birth has decided to locate in the South at

pastor of the Baptist church at Chape

ministry Mr. Cleveland decided to be

come a preacher, has been invited to deliver the sermon at the ordination

It has not been decided whether the

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE. Mr. Preston Belvin and Mr. B. P. Owen, Jr., of Richmond, were in the

to-day, registered at the Imperial

Messrs. Robert Watson, Kenneth Harrison, W. B. Stevens, and Percy Seward, four well-known young citizens, left this

afternoon for Norfolk on their bicycles.

The Petersburg delegates to the Roa-noke convention, have secured rates over the Norfolk and Western at \$5.30 for the

Children's-Day services will be held

School Association will hold its regular

Sunday morning at Wesley Episcopal church. In the afternoon, of the same church, the Methodist Sunday

Chapel Hill.

round trip.

meeting.

will take place here or at

nomination in this section.

CHURCH TO BE DEDICATED.